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GROVEL
BEFORE YOUR
NEW KING--
**TIGER
WYLDE**TM
THE FIRST!

2099

BARROUM!

MOMENTS AGO, THE LATVERIAN GYPSIES TAKING REFUGE IN THIS HIDDEN MOUNTAIN-SIDE HANGAR THOUGHT THEMSELVES SAFE--

--UNAWARE THAT TIGER WYLDE, THE CYBORG DESPOT THEY OPPOSE, DISCOVERED THEIR LOCATION--

-- AND MOBILIZED HIS FORCES AGAINST THEM.

BARELY HOLDING THEIR OWN AGAINST WYLDE'S BARRAGE OF AIRFIRE AND GROUND TROOPS--

--THE GYPSIES WONDER IF THEY ARE MAKING ONE FINAL, SUICIDAL STAND.

THEY WONDER WHY THE ARMORED ENIGMA IN WHOM THEY PLACED THEIR TRUST IS ABSENT FROM THE FRAY.

WE CAN'T HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER WITHOUT DOOM!

BLESSED MOTHER, WHERE IS HE?

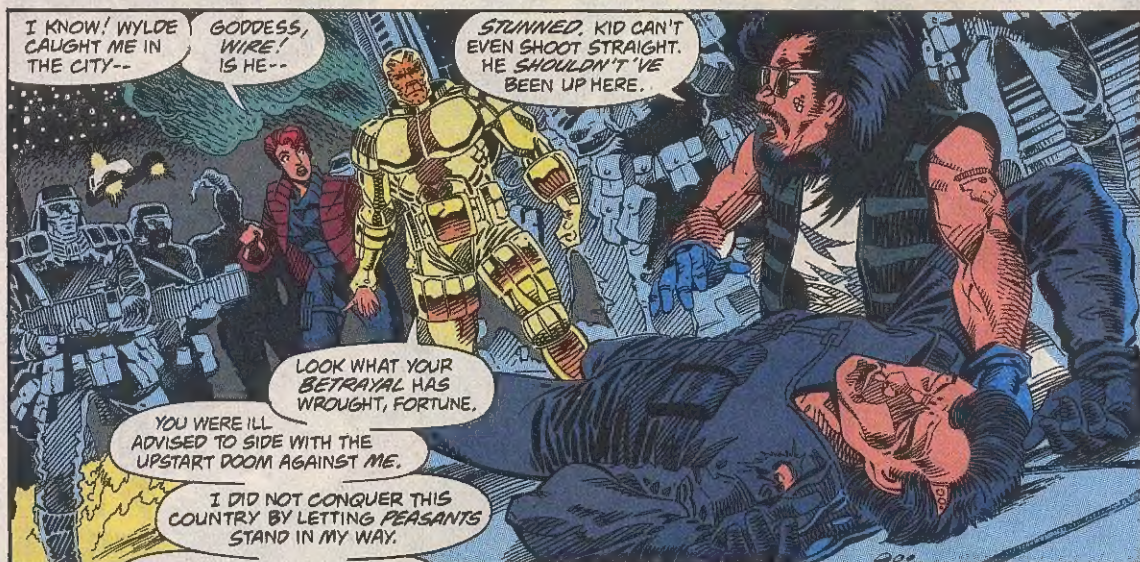
I DON'T KNOW! XANDRA WENT BELOW TO FIND HIM!

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WE'VE LOST, ZEFIRO. LAY DOWN YOUR WEAPONS BEFORE ANYONE ELSE IS HURT--

FORTUNE? YOU'RE HERE? CAN'T SEE WITH ALL THE SMOKE. SITUATION'S BAD, REAL BAD--



* A rare energy-generating ore, taken by Doom in issue #2. --Joey

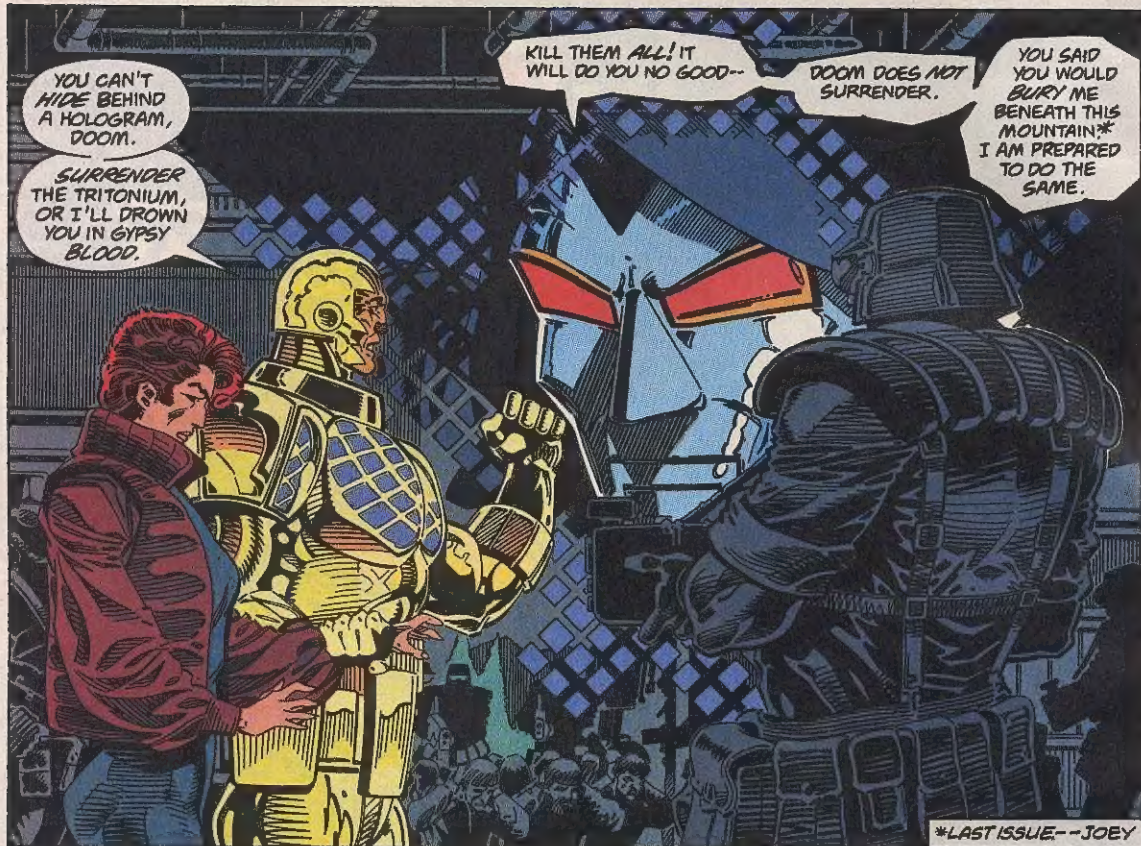
STAN LEE PRESENTS:

DOOM 2044

FIRE ANSWERS FIRE

YOU MUST
FACE ME
FIRST.

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*LAST ISSUE--JOEY



BENEATH THE
HANGAR, IN
SUBBASEMENT
SEVEN--

KILL
THEM
ALL??

IS THAT
ALL WE ARE
TO YOU--
CANNON
FOODER?

PUT YOUR
GUN DOWN,
XANDRA. LEARN
NOT TO WEAR
YOUR EMOTIONS
SO OPENLY.

THIS IS A
WAR OF STRATEGY.
I CANNOT ALLOW
WYLDE TO USE THE
TRIBE AGAINST
ME.

FORTUNE UNDERSTANDS, AND
SO SHOULD YOU.

I DON'T CARE! YOU
CAN'T SACRIFICE THEM
LIKE Pawns IN SOME
CHESS GAME!

I'M GOING UP
THERE--

--TO BE
KILLED? THINK,
GIRL, YOU CAN'T
OVERPOWER
WYLDE'S TROOPS.

THEN WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO?

TAKE VOX AND KEEP HIM SAFE.
THE CHILD'S MORE POWERFUL
THAN ANY KNOW, BUT HE'S
NO WARRIOR.

THE VENTILATION SHAFTS
WILL LEAD YOU OUT OF
THE MOUNTAIN.


THEN WAIT. THIS
CONFLICT ENDS
SOON.

YOU'RE RIGHT. FOR
NOW. BUT IF FORTUNE
OR WIRE DIE BECAUSE
OF YOU--

--I'LL RETURN
AND SHUT YOU
DOWN.

BENEATH HIS
ARMORED
VISAGE, DOOM
ALLOWS HIM-
SELF HALF
A SMILE.

FIRE
DRIVES
XANDRA,
AS IT
DOES
HIM--



IT IS THAT MOLTEN CORE
BURNING IN DOOM'S HEART
THAT HAS BROUGHT
HIM TO THIS TIME
OF RECKONING--

-- THAT WITHSTOOD THE DISORIENT-
TATION OF AN UNEXPLAINED,
DECADES LONG EXILE--

-- THAT SURVIVED A NEAR-
FATAL FIRST CONFRONTATION
WITH TIGER WYLDE--

-- AND THAT NOW
BALANCES HIM ON
A CATAclysmic
LEDGE IN HIS QUEST
TO RECLAIM
LATVERIA.

WYLDE MEANT TO USE
THE TRITONIUM'S
REGENERATIVE ENERGY
CAPACITY AGAINST
ALCHEMAX--

-- UNDERMINING
THAT CONGLOMERATE'S
FOREIGN ENERGY
MONOPOLIES.

MORE DIRECTLY,
DOOM HAS USED
THE PIRATED
SATURN-MINED
ORE AS BAIT--

-- INTENDING
TO FORGE THE
OFF WORLD
MINERAL INTO
THE FINAL NAIL
IN WYLDE'S
COFFIN.

DOOM WILL RECLAIM
WHAT IS RIGHTFULLY
HIS. HIS COUNTRY.
HIS PEOPLE. HIS
THRONE.

AND REVENGE?

YES, THERE
IS THAT, ALSO.

ELSEWHERE.

CLANG!



KEEP
BEHIND
ME, VOX.

AND TRY TO
STAY LOW. YOU
DON'T WANT TO
BE A FLOATING
TARGET.

SOMETIMES
I WISH YOU
WOULD TALK.

I COULD
USE A
REASSURING
WORD OR TWO
RIGHT NOW.



WE'RE OUTNUMBERED.
FORTUNE'S CAPTURED.
DOOM'S UNDERGROUND.

ARGH! I
HATE FEELING
SO--

--HELPLESS.



WE'LL DON'T GO AND
DO SOMETHING
STUPID.

WHAT
WOULD
YOUR BOY-
FRIEND DO
WITHOUT
YOU?



I MAKE A
POOR
HOSTAGE,
WYLDE.

DOOM AND
YOU ARE ALIKE
IN THAT SENSE.

SENTIMENT
NEVER
CLOUDS
YOUR
ACTIONS.

BAH! DOOM IS A
RELIC, NO MATTER THE
VINTAGE OF HIS ARMOR.



STILL, HIS TECHNOLOGY
WAS REMARKABLY
PRESIDENT FOR A
CENTURY PAST.

I'VE ONLY BEEN ABLE
TO OVERRIDE BASIC
SECURITY CODES.

DOOM IS ON
THE SEVENTH
LEVEL, BUT I
CAN'T TELL
WHAT KIND OF
DEFENSES
HE'S SET UP.



GIVE ME TIME, I
CAN ENGINEER A
FOCUSED MAGNETIC
PULSE, AND TRAP
HIM IN HIS
SUBTERRANEAN
BURROW.



NO, THIS IS
BETWEEN THE
TWO OF US.

I'LL GO
MY WAY.

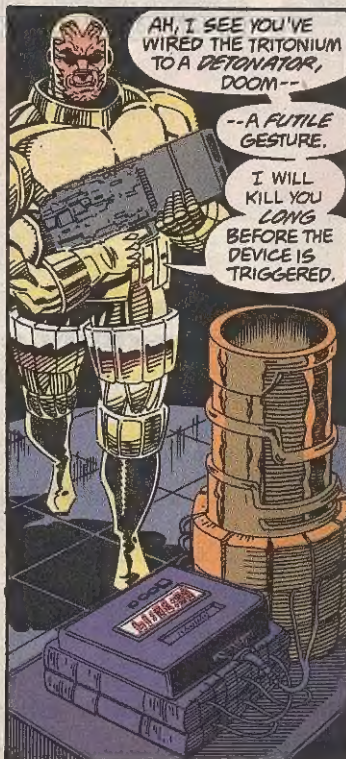
THWOW!!!

WYLDE'S BLAST ATOMIZES
REINFORCED STEEL AND
CONCRETE INTO DUST AND
SMOKE--

-- CLEARING A VERTICAL
PATH TO SUBBASEMENT
SEVEN.

WHOSH!

BWUMFF!



AH, I SEE YOU'VE
WIRED THE TRITONIUM
TO A DETONATOR,
DOOM--

--A FUTILE
GESTURE.

I WILL
KILL YOU
LONG
BEFORE THE
DEVICE IS
TRIGGERED.

INSURANCE, WYLDE--

--TO MAKE CERTAIN
OUR SUBTERRANEAN
SUMMIT IS UNINTER-
RUPTED BY YOUR
GUARDSMEN.

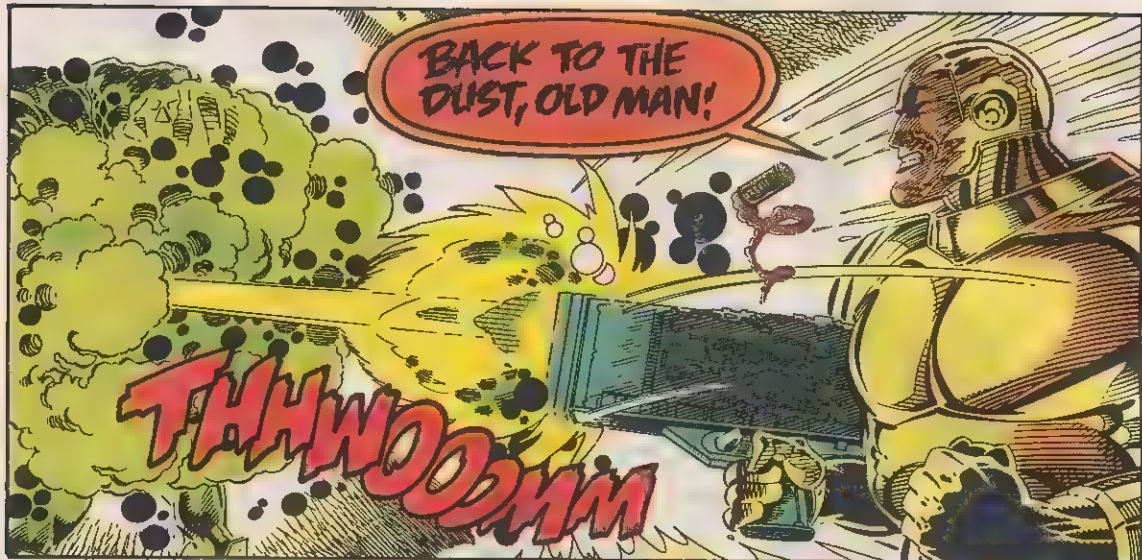


OR YOUR
ZEFIRO.



THEY ARE *GYPSIES*.
THEY WILL SURVIVE
NO MATTER THE
OUTCOME.

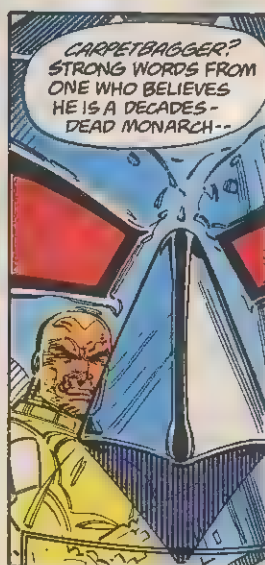
AND YOU-- THE
ONCE AND FUTURE
DOOM-- WILL NOT BE
SO FORTUNATE.



I'LL NOT BE DISPOSED
OF THAT EASILY, WYLDE.

CONVENTIONAL
WEAPONRY CANNOT
PENETRATE MY
ADAMANTIUM LAMINATE
ARMOR.

I HAVE NOT RETURNED
TO MY HOMETLAND TO BE
DRIVEN AWAY BY SOME
MECHANIZED
CARPETBAGGER.



CARPETBAGGER?
STRONG WORDS FROM
ONE WHO BELIEVES
HE IS A DECADES-
DEAD MONARCH--




--BUT I WILL NOT
CONTEST YOUR
DELUSION.

IF YOU CHOOSE
TO LIVE AS
DOOM--



--DIE AS DOOM!!!



HOW CAN THIS BE? MY
DISRUPTION FIELD SHOULD
FRY YOUR ARMOR'S
CIRCUITRY--

--SHUTTING
DOWN YOUR POWER
SYSTEMS.

DID YOU THINK
YOU COULD SUCCEED
TWICE WITH THE
SAME ASSAULT?

YOU WERE THE ONE
WHO MADE IT PAINFULLY
CLEAR I WAS UNPREPARED
FOR THIS WORLD, *K

NOW, YOU FACE
A NEW DOOM--

-- ONE WHOSE ARMOR
RECHANNELS FREQUENCY
DISRUPTION BACK AT THE
SENDER.

* Wyldie crashed doom
in issue #1 from JOEY



UNDERSTAND, DOOM,
I FOUGHT MY WAY OUT
OF CORPORATE
SERVITUDE--

--REBUILT
MY BODY PIECE
BY PIECE--

--AND TOOK
THIS COUNTRY
FOR MY OWN--

--NOT THROUGH
TECHNOLOGY-- BUT BY
FORCE OF WILL--

LATVERIA
IS MINE,
DOOM.

MINE!

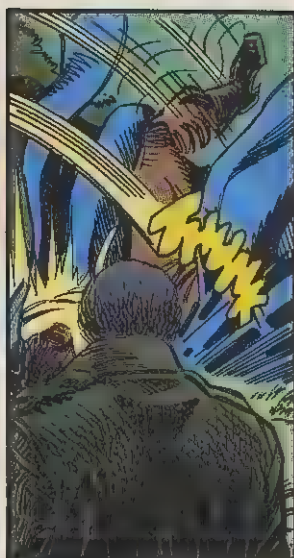
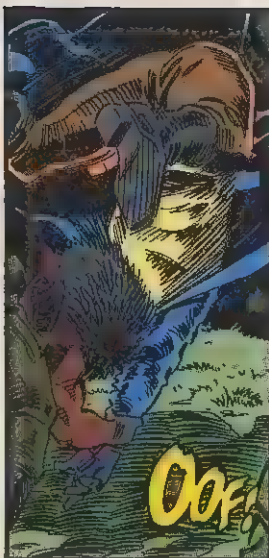
LATVERIA HAS NEVER
BEEN YOURS, WYLDE.

ARGHH!

AT THE SAME TIME,
ABOVE THE SUB-
TERRANEAN CONFLICT...

MRRGGGLL...

QUIET, GIRL. YOU'LL
DISTURB OUR WELL
ARMED NEIGHB--



NICE
REFLEXES

POET??
OOO

THAT WAS STUPID!
I COULD'VE KILLED
YOU!

NOT A GOOD IDEA SINCE I'M THE
ONLY FRIEND YOUR TRIBE HAS
ON THE OUTSIDE RIGHT NOW.

I'VE ALWAYS HAD A
SOFT SPOT FOR
GYPSY REVOLUTION-
ARIES.

YOU'LL NEED HELP.
JUST GIVE ME A
MINUTE.

VOX, IF THINGS MELT DOWN,
STRAIGHTLINE TO OLD
DOROTHEA'S CABIN. SHE'LL
TAKE CARE OF YOU.

NO
ARGUMENT.
GO!

YOU'RE NOT GYPSY BORN, XANDRA.
WHY THE LOYALTY?

THE ZEFIRO TOOK
ME WHEN I WAS A
STRAY, HUNGRY ON
THE STREETS OF
ANTIKVA VILAGO.

THEY MAY
NOT BE BLOOD,
BUT THEY'RE
MY FAMILY.

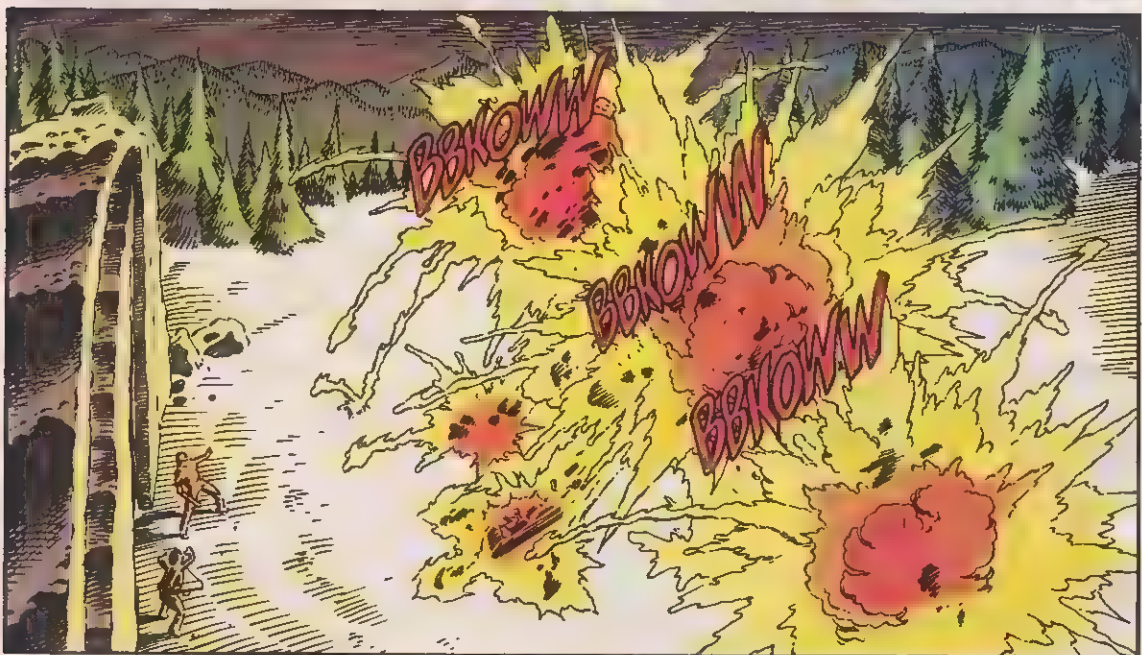
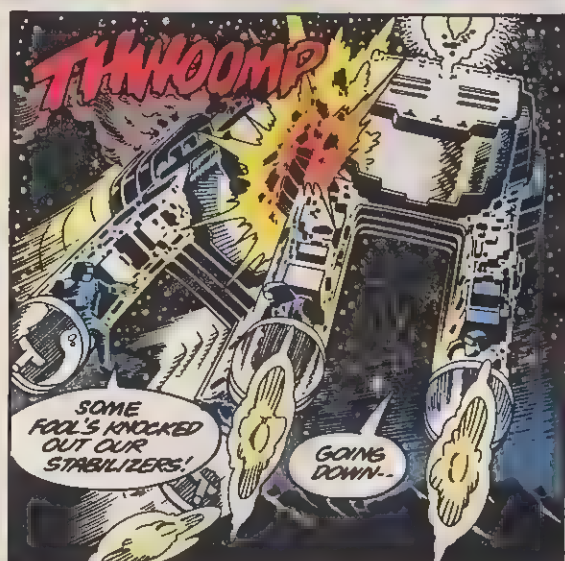
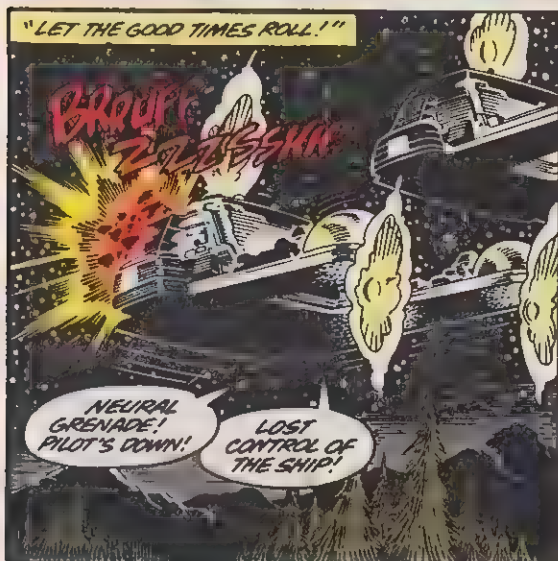
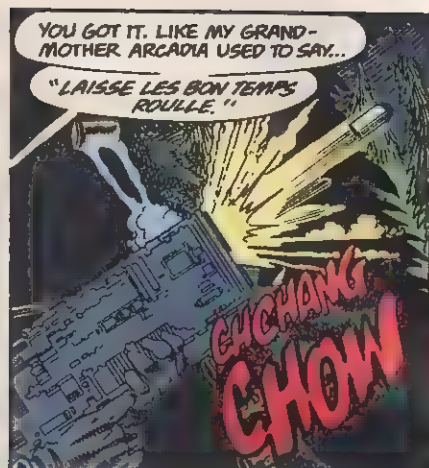
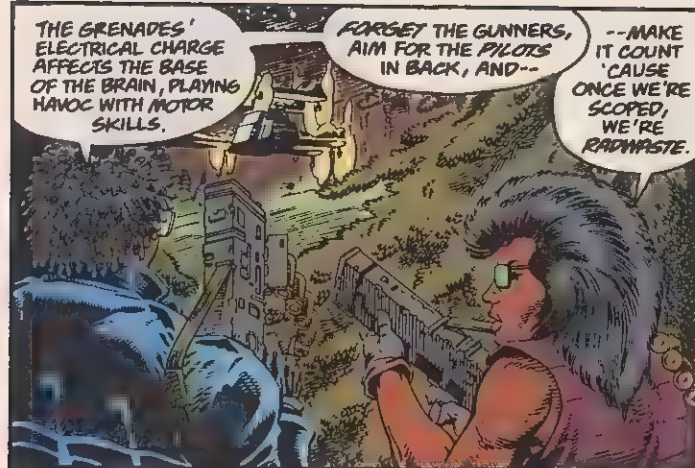
AND WHY
ARE YOU
TAKING DOOM'S
SIDE?

IT'S NOT DOOM'S
SIDE I'M ON. LONG
STORY. I'LL EXPLAIN
SOMETIME.

RIGHT
NOW,
TAKE
THESE.
BE CAREFUL,
THEY'LL FRY YOUR
BRAIN IF THEY
GO OFF.

NEURAL GRENADES?
I THOUGHT ONLY STARK/
FUJIKAWA ELITE HAD
ACCESS TO THESE.

I KNOW
WHERE TO
SHOP!



INSIDE THE HANGAR,
THE EXPLODING AIR-
CRAFT CATCH BOTH
GUARDSMEN AND
GIPSY BY SURPRISE.

KBLOOM

YOU GYPSIES
ARE BETTER
ARMED THAN MY
RECONNAISSANCE
SUGGESTED

BEFORE I KILL YOU, I WANT
THE TRUTH. WHICH MEGACORP
FUNDED THIS LITTLE COUP
D'ETAT?

I TOLD YOU.
WE STAND ONLY
WITH DOOM. HE
IS WHO HE SAYS,
ZONE. THE
CARDS--

DON'T
GIVE ME
THAT TAROT
HOGWASH.

WYLDE NEVER SHOULD HAVE
PLACED FAITH IN THE CARD
TRICKS OF A GYPSY CON
ARTIST.

NOW, I'LL
CORRECT HIS
MISTAKE.

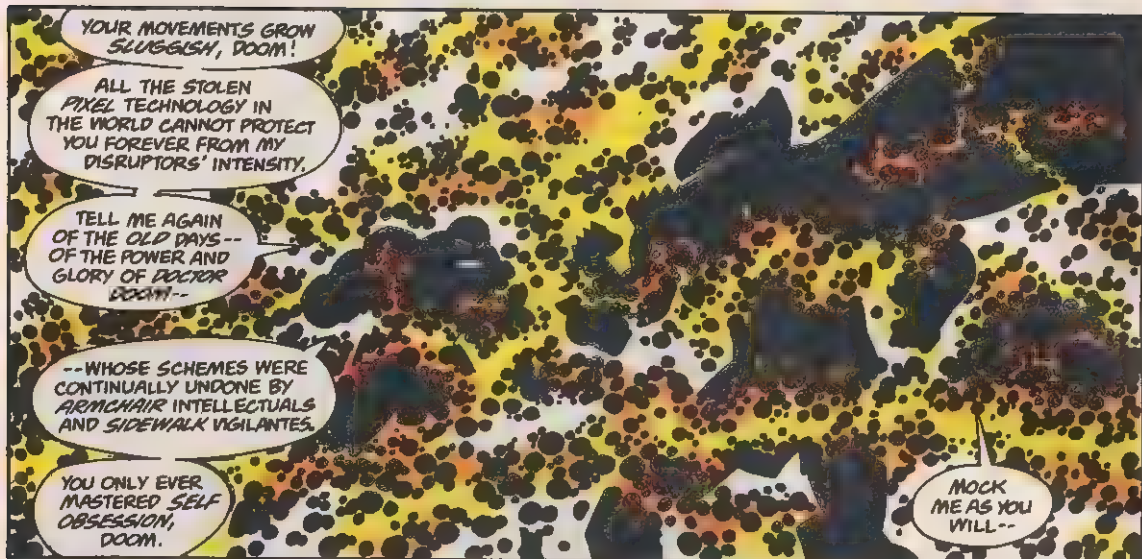
KLEK



YOU!?!

YOU'VE GOT
SOME NERVE
COMING BACK
HERE.

NO TIME FOR
THANKS, DARLING. WE
NEED TO GET YOUR
PEOPLE OUTA HERE
BEFORE THE GUARDS-
MEN CALL
REINFORCEMENTS.



YOUR MOVEMENTS GROW
SLUGGISH, DOOM!

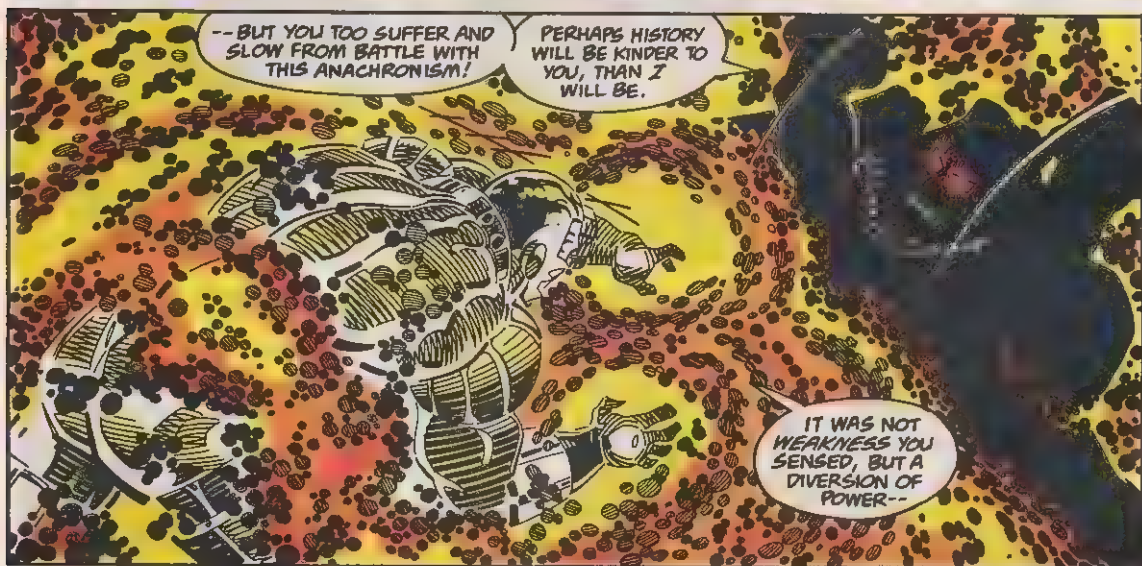
ALL THE STOLEN
PIXEL TECHNOLOGY IN
THE WORLD CANNOT PROTECT
YOU FOREVER FROM MY
DISRUPTORS' INTENSITY.

TELL ME AGAIN
OF THE OLD DAYS--
OF THE POWER AND
GLORY OF DOCTOR
DOOM--

--WHOSE SCHEMES WERE
CONTINUALLY UNDONE BY
ARMCHAIR INTELLECTUALS
AND SIDEWALK VIGILANTES.

YOU ONLY EVER
MASTERED SELF
OBSESSION,
DOOM.

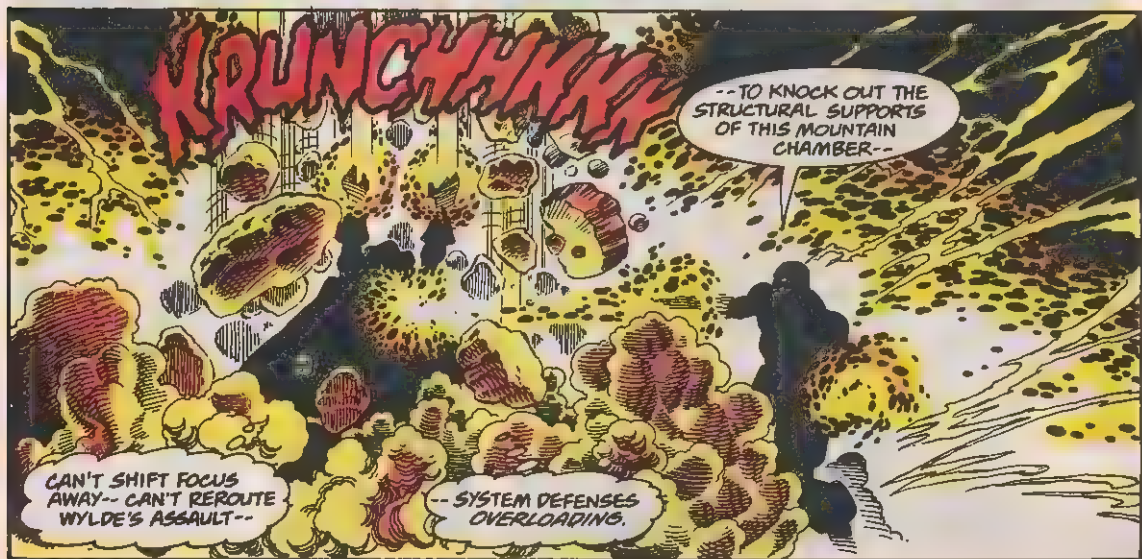
MOCK
ME AS YOU
WILL--



--BUT YOU TOO SUFFER AND
SLOW FROM BATTLE WITH
THIS ANACHRONISM!

PERHAPS HISTORY
WILL BE KINDER TO
YOU, THAN I
WILL BE.

IT WAS NOT
WEAKNESS YOU
SENSED, BUT A
DIVERSION OF
POWER--



KRUNCHUNK

--TO KNOCK OUT THE
STRUCTURAL SUPPORTS
OF THIS MOUNTAIN
CHAMBER--

CAN'T SHIFT FOCUS
AWAY-- CAN'T REROUTE
WYLDE'S ASSAULT--

--SYSTEM DEFENSES
OVERLOADING.

BULLPEN BULLETINS



MARK'S REMARKS

This is only the third time I've written for this space and already I'm resorting to name-calling. You see, part of my job as Senior Exec Ed is keeping track of the names of Marvel's multitude of characters (over 3000 names at most recent estimate) in order to prevent needless duplication and confusion. So as keeper of the master list, I get to tell our creative people if a given name is "taken" or not. There's sometimes a debate as to what constitutes "taken." For instance, at the time the first female herald of Galactus was named, the kid called Nova was in retirement so the name was technically available. Wouldn't you know, it the original came back and of course was very interested in his name back. The lesson I learned from this is to never count retired characters as permanently abandoning their claims to their names.

Still, since I only began my name coordination back in '88, I inherited years of name duplication, and since that time, a few of our crafty creative folks have also managed to do end runs around the system in order to replicate names already in use.

So what are some of the most popular names in the Marvel Universe, to judge by the number of different characters who have claimed the same name? Well, I combed the list and found 26 names used by three different characters (such as Ape-Man, Atom-Smasher, Blockbuster, Colossus, Goliath, Leviathan, Ox, Pestilence, Stinger, Warlock, and Whizzer), six names used by four different characters (Box, Executioner, Hate-Monger, Mr. Fear, Phoenix, and Smasher), five names used by five different characters (Black Knight, Destroyer, Red Guardian, Scourge, and Sleeper). Finally, there have been at least six or seven guys who wore the costume of Captain America for at least one whole issue.

Is the Marvel Universe fun or what?

Mark Gruenwald

We were passing through Niffleheim the other day, home of the legendary Frost Giants, where we saw Ymir, the most powerful frost giant of them all. Ymir remarked, "Is it cold here, or is it just me?"

Well, it is colder than the cold steel of the Punisher's AK-47 assault rifle out there, which gives you all the more reason to stay indoors and find new ways to entertain yourself. You could do blueprints of the headquarters of your favorite super-team, like Eliot R. Brown does. Or you might want to take up painting. That's what John Welling-

have meaning!"

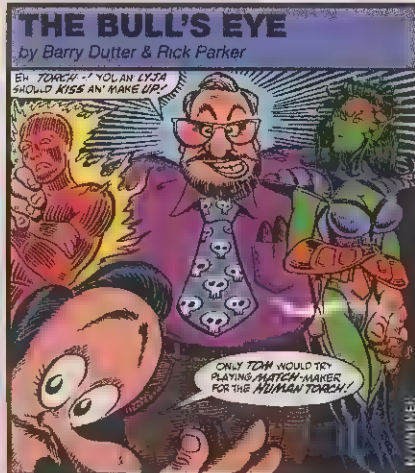
That they do (and the royalty checks aren't exactly lacking in meaning, either), as you can see for yourself every Saturday morning on Fox. Fans of retro-classic Marvel animation of the sixties may also want to check out Ted Turner's all-new Cartoon Network, where reruns of the beloved *Fantastic Four* cartoons of the sixties are shown. (That channel also shows reruns of the *Thing* animated series from the early eighties, so we can all thrill to young Benji Grimm joining his rings together and shouting, "Thing rings, do your thing!")

One thing that never changes is Hildy Messnick's assistant editor, "Professor" James Felder, pestering us to mention his off-duty activities on this page. In November of last year, the proud-piping Professor participated in the annual bagpipe festival held here in Greenwich Village. It was sponsored by Dewar's, and it was held over the course of two nights in October at an ultra-hip club called the Knitting Factory. After those two nights, they might want to be knitting themselves up some earplugs!

Nobody covers their ears when Marvel's book designer, Joe Kaufman, is playing! Joe is a member of a band called Shambas, which can rock the house harder than a Thor/Ulik slug-fest. Shambas plays various clubs around New York, including Street Level, Atlantis, and the Bank. (And no, Professor, they're not looking for a bag-piper!)

To end this column on yet another musical note, we'd like to toot the horn of our very own managing art director, Steve Geiger, who is a member of the rock group, Denaro! Denaro's self-titled debut CD is out in stores now, and it will rock you like one of Storm's hurricanes! The band will be doing a lot of touring in the next few months, so keep your ears open. If the band takes off, Steve & Co. will be making a lot of *dinero*, and winning more awards than Robert DeNiro!

This brings us to the end of another award-winning Bullpen Page. As you can see, our mighty Marveloids tend to be multi-talented, just like writer/actor/country-western singer Sylvester Stallone. So to anyone out there who has an interest in pursuing any creative endeavor, like our stainless staffers, we encourage you wholeheartedly. Just don't let it take away time from your comic book reading!



ton, ultra-cool PUNISHER ARMORY colorist, did. John was featured in a write-up recently in *American Artist* magazine, which bills itself as "the leading magazine for fine artists" (funny — we always thought that was SAVAGE SWORD OF CONAN!). Several of John's modern masterpieces were featured in the mag, including a chilling self-portrait. John's paintings combine classic techniques with contemporary themes — much like your favorite Marvel Comics, which mix the legendary Stan Lee neo-realism of the sixties, with the post-modern cutting edge of the nineties.

X-MEN editor Bob Harras — whose hobby is attracting media attention — also received some magazine coverage recently. The magazine was *Entertainment Weekly*, where Bob was quizzed about the *X-Men* TV cartoon show, a possible *Wolverine* movie for '94, and just why the X-Men are so mega-popular. As Bob put it, "These stories

HYPELINE: ON SALE THIS WEEK

- ☐ **AVENGERS #361:** The alternate Vision continues his Vision-quest!
- ☐ **CONAN #267:** Conan's imprisoned in the dark with a deadly changeling!
- ☐ **DARK ANGEL #10:** The Mysterio Board has a list with the X-Men and Dark Angel at the top of it!
- ☐ **DOCTOR WHO #198:** The Doctor is in trouble!
- ☐ **DOOM 2098 #4:** The Tiger Wyldie saga concludes, and it's really wild!
- ☐ **EXCALIBUR #64:** Has Rachel become Dark Phoenix?
- ☐ **G.I. JOE #135:** Poly-bagged with a photo trading card! It's a G.I. Joe you've never seen before!

- ☐ **G.I. JOE AND THE TRANSFORMERS:** Reprinting the classic battle of the action figures!
- ☐ **INCREDIBLE HULK #404:** In this corner the Avengers and the Hulk! In that corner the Red Skull and the Juggernaut! Place your bets!
- ☐ **MARVEL AGE #123:** Two covers, Spidey/Venom and Thunderstrike! Nobody covers Marvel like MARVEL AGE!
- ☐ **MARVEL COMICS #126:** Wolverine! She-Hulk! Iron Fist! Ghost Rider! And Jerry Mathers as the Beaver!
- ☐ **MIDNIGHT SONS UNLIMITED #1:**

- 64 pages of *Morbius*, *Ghost Rider*, and the *Midnight Sons Family Singers*!
- ☐ **MORBIUS #8:** Morbius has drunken spoiled blood! He should've checked the expiration date!
- ☐ **PUNISHER #77:** Micro's kidnapped! Punny must save his little buddy!
- ☐ **SHIELD #46:** An X-Force tie-in? What is this book, close to cancellation or what?
- ☐ **SILVER SURFER/WARLOCK: RESURRECTION #2 of 4:** This one is so cosmic, you'll be seeing stars!
- ☐ **SPIDER-MAN #33:** Is Spidey a

- murderer? Ask the Punisher! (Like he should talk!)
- ☐ **SUPER SOLDIERS #1:** Mortally wounded soldiers come back — and the USAgent isn't happy about it!
- ☐ **WARLOCK & THE INFINITY WATCH #15:** Let sleeping Warlocks lie!
- ☐ **WHAT IF #48:** The answer to the most-asked question of all: What if Daredevil had saved Nuke?
- ☐ **X-FACTOR #89:** The truth about Rahne comes pouring down!
- ☐ **X-MEN #19:** Introducing an all-new villain, *Soul Skinner*! (No relation to B.F. Skinner, the famed anthropologist!)

YOU'VE MEDDLED IN MY BUSINESS
FOR THE LAST TIME, DOOM.

IT ENDS
HERE, OLD
MAN.

SYSTEMS
SHUTTING
DOWN.

NOT
NOW.

NOT...

...

HIS BODY BLEEDING AND
BRUISED WITHIN ARMOR
THAT MAY BECOME HIS
COFFIN--

--DOOM'S PAIN TRIGGERS AN
OVERWHELMING MEMORY
OF PAIN SUFFERED IN
ANOTHER PLACE--ANOTHER
TIME.

IN A WORLD OF SHADOW
HE HUNTED PHANTOMS,
AND INSTEAD FOUND
HIMSELF CAUGHT.

HE CANNOT SEE HIS CAPTORS,
BUT HE HEARS THEIR ALIEN
VOICES TAUNTING HIM,
RELISHING THE PAIN THEY
INFLECT--

AND AS HE FEELS HIS
BODY TEMPERATURE RISE
AND HIS MUSCLE TEAR--

HE KNOWS HE
WILL NOT SURVIVE
THIS, AND HE
WILL DIE IN THIS
FOREIGN PLACE--

--FAR FROM
HIS HOME--

-- FAR FROM
LATVERIA.

I THANK
YOU, DOOM.

YOU HAVE
SHAKEN ME OUT
OF MY ADMINISTRATIVE
COMPLACENCY.

ONCE I CRIPPLE
ALCHEMAX'S ENERGY
CONCERNS WITH
THE TRITONIUM--

--I WILL
REPAY DEVARGAS
FOR BETRAYING
ME.

THEN
WITH CONTROLLING
INTEREST OF BOTH
PIXEL AND
ALCHEMAX--

DIE!

CHUNKY CHUNKY CHUNKY

THUNK
CHUNKY!



--I WILL BEGIN
WORLD WIDE
CORPORATE
ACQUISITION.

TOO BAD YOU
WON'T BE AROUND
TO WATCH ME
REDEFINE HOSTILE
TAKEOVER.

WHAT?
THE
TRITONIUM
DETONATOR
HAS BEEN
ACTIVATED!

IT IS A
GOOD DAY
TO DIE.

DOOM!

YES...YOU DESTROYED
BUT ONE OF MY ARMOR
SYSTEMS--

THEN YOU'VE
SIGNED YOUR
DEATH WARRANT
AS WELL AS
MINE.

THE TRITIUM
WILL EXPLODE
IN SECONDS.

GO TO H--

--FAIL-SAFES
INITIALIZED BACK-UP
SYSTEMS SOON AFTER
THE FIRST CRASH--

--EVEN NOW, THE
NANOTECH IN MY BODY
IS REPAIRING MY BROKEN
BONES, STANCHING
THE BLEEDING--

I DO NOT DIE
EASILY.

AS I PLANNED
FROM THE
BEGINNING.

LET THIS MOUNTAIN
BURY US BOTH.

00:00:06

00:00:03

00:00:01

DOOM!

YES... YOU DESTROYED
BUT ONE OF MY ARMOR
SYSTEMS--

THEN YOU'VE
SIGNED YOUR
DEATH WARRANT
AS WELL AS
MINE.

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BLAMMFF

HIS CASTLE DESTROYED IN HIS
ABSENCE, PARTS OF HIS
MEMORY LOST UPON HIS
RETURN--

--THE MAN CALLING HIMSELF DOOM
FOUND LITTLE LEGACY OF HIS PAST
IN THIS WORLD OF THE FUTURE.

ALL THAT REMAINED WAS A
MOUNTAINSIDE HANGAR
BUILT AS A SAFE HAVEN.

AS THE MOUNTAIN EXPLODES
WITH TITANIC FORCE, THE
REMAINS OF THE DOOM'S
20TH CENTURY LIFE ATOMIZE
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GROUND'S STILL
SHAKING. YOU
SOLID, WIRE?

GOT A RINGING
IN MY EARS BUT
OTHERWISE, ON LINE
AND OPERATING.

THINK
DOOM
GOT OUT?

WITH HALF A
MOUNTAIN
COLLAPSED ON
HIM? NOT
LIKELY.

IT'S NOT
OVER YET.
ONCE NEWS
OF WYLDE'S
DEATH HITS
THE INFONETS--

--EVERY CORPORATE
RAIDER WITHIN
SPITTING DISTANCE WILL
BE ROCKETING HERE TO
CLAIM THAT TRITONIUM.



AS MUCH AS I HATE TO
ADMIT YOU'RE RIGHT,
POET OR WHATEVER
YOU CALL YOURSELF
THESE DAYS--

--WITHOUT DOOM,
WE DON'T HAVE MUCH
LEVERAGE AGAINST
ANY MEGACORP WITH
ITS SIGHTS ON LAT--

CHHHCKRRROOOOWWWW!!



I DON'T
BELIEVE IT...



**I AM
RISEN!**

THE ARMORED GHOST'S VOICE BETRAYS NONE OF THE STRAIN REQUIRED THE INSTANT BEFORE THE TRITONIUM DETONATED --

-- TO IGNORE THE PAIN OF HIS BATTERED LIMBS --

-- AND CONCENTRATE ON THE PHASING TECHNOLOGY WITHIN HIS ARMOR --

-- WHICH ALLOWED THE EXPLOSION'S FORCE AND THE MOUNTAIN'S WEIGHT TO FLOW THROUGH HIM LIKE A BREEZE.

GOJRA DIA. THREE
DAYS LATER.

HALF THE TRITONIUM WILL
SUPPLY LATVERIA'S POWER
THROUGH THE NEXT CENTURY.

THE OTHER HALF
I SHALL KEEP FOR
MY OWN PURPOSES.

I'M JUST THANKFUL
YOU DIDN'T DESTROY
THE ENTIRE MALHELA
MOUNTAIN RANGE IN
THAT SUICIDE GAMBIT.

MY RISK WAS JUSTIFIED.
LATVERIA IS FREE OF
TIGER WYLDE.

NOW WE HAVE THE
REST OF THE WORLD
TO WORRY ABOUT.

IF OUR COUNTRY IS TO
STAND AGAINST THE CHAOTIC
AND DESTRUCTIVE FORCES
THAT SURROUND IT--

--WE MUST
CHANGE THE
WORLD WITHOUT
AS WELL...

FORGIVE ME IF I
DON'T SHARE YOUR
DESIRE FOR WORLD
DOMINATION.

LATVERIA ALONE
WILL BE ENOUGH
CHALLENGE.

YOU MISINTERPRET MY
WORDS. CONQUEST DOES
NOT INTEREST ME.

I HAVE RETURNED TO A
WORLD TEETERING ON
THE BRINK OF
DESTRUCTION--

--A HOUSE OF
CARDS DESTINED
TO COLLAPSE UNDER
THE WEIGHT OF
POLITICAL AND
CORPORATE
FACTIONALISM.

IF THAT
ANARCHIC
TOMORROW IS TO
BE AVOIDED, THIS
WORLD MUST BE
REBUILT AND
RESTRUCTURED.

AND I AM THE ARCHITECT
OF THAT FUTURE.

"Fire answers fire, and through their paly flames each battle
sees the other's umbered face."

— Shakespeare, *Henry V*